

state sponsor of terrorism (55 *Fed. Reg.* 37793–01).

Consistent with section 6(j)(4)(A) of the Export Administration Act of 1979, Public Law 96–72, as amended, and as continued in effect by Executive Order 13222 of August 17, 2001, 66 *Fed. Reg.* 44025, I hereby certify that:

- (1) There has been a fundamental change in the leadership and policies of the Government of Iraq;
- (2) Iraq's government is not supporting acts of international terrorism; and
- (3) Iraq's government has provided assurances that it will not support acts of international terrorism in the future.

Accordingly, the prerequisites for your determination to rescind Iraq's designation as a state sponsor of terrorism will be satisfied once you have transmitted this certification to the Congress.

This certification shall also satisfy the provisions of section 620A(c)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, Public Law 87–195, as amended, and section 40(f)(1)(A) of the Arms Export Control Act, Public Law 90–629, as amended.

You are authorized and directed to report this certification to the Congress and to arrange for its publication in the *Federal Register*.

George W. Bush

Letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives Transmitting a Budget Amendment for the Department of Energy

September 24, 2004

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I ask the Congress to consider the enclosed FY 2005 budget amendment for the Department of Energy. This amendment replaces a previous amendment transmitted September 7, 2004, and would not increase the discretionary budget authority proposed in my FY 2005 Budget.

The details of this proposal are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

Sincerely,

George W. Bush

NOTE: An original was not available for verification of the content of this letter.

Digest of Other White House Announcements

The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

September 18

In the morning, in Kennebunkport, ME, the President had an intelligence briefing.

The President declared a major disaster in Georgia and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by Hurricane Ivan beginning on September 14 and continuing.

The President declared a major disaster in North Carolina and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by Hurricane Ivan beginning on September 16 and continuing.

September 19

In the morning, the President traveled to Pensacola, FL, where he toured the area damaged by Hurricane Ivan on September 13 and continuing.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Orange Beach, AL, where he took a helicopter tour of the area damaged by Hurricane Ivan on September 13 and continuing. He then took a walking tour of the area.

In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC.

The President declared a major disaster in Pennsylvania and ordered Federal aid to supplement Commonwealth and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding associated with Tropical Storm Frances on September 8–9.